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TAGS: MARR, PREL, MOPS, RW, UN

SUBJECT: RWANDA--NEED TO JUMP START UNAMIR

REF: PARIS 17974, HARARE 7343, TUNIS 4161

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1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT

2. THE USG FEARS THAT, DESPITE THE EXCELLENT EFFORTS BY THE UN AND POTENTIAL TROOP CONTRIBUTING COUNTRIES AND THE COURAGEOUS INITIATIVE OF FRANCE, THE FUTURE OF THE UN IN RWANDA IN THE LONG TERM IS UNCERTAIN- THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT CLEARLY SHARES THIS CONCERN REF AL.

3. OF MOST URGENCY IS THE NEED TO EQUIP AND DEPLOY THE UNAMIR FORCES- BUT THE TROOP CONTRIBUTING COUNTRIES CANNOT BE DEPLOYED UNTIL EQUIPMENT NEEDS AND TRAINING ARE

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AGREED AND THE EQUIPMENT IS DELIVERED- OUR PROPOSAL FOR EQUIPMENT CONTRIBUTING COUNTRIES TO ADOPT A BATTALION WAS ENDORSED BY UN SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 925 BUT HAS NOT YET BEEN PICKED UP BY EQUIPMENT CONTRIBUTORS.

4. ALSO OF CONSIDERABLE URGENCY IS THE NEED FOR THE UN SECRETARIAT TO PUT TOGETHER A CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS TO

ENABLE THE EXPANDED UNAMIR FORCE TO HELP PROTECT POPULATIONS MOST AT RISK.

5. ACTION REQUEST FOR USUN: USUN IS REQUESTED TO APPROACH THE SECRETARIAT WITH THE FOLLOWING POINTS.

-- APCS FOR ZIMBABWE. WE BELIEVE THE ZIMBABWEANS ARE RIGHT (REF B) IN WANTING WHEELED APCS, WHICH WE THINK WOULD BE MORE EFFECTIVE THAN TRACKED APCS. WE ARE APPROACHING SOUTH AFRICA ABOUT ADOPTING THE ZIMBABWEAN BATTALION AND REQUEST THAT THE UN MAKE A SIMILAR APPROACH TO THE SOUTH AFRICANS. NOTE: THE SUPPLY OF EXCESS M-113 APCS IS VERY LIMITED AND EXTENSIVE REFURBISHMENT WILL

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LIKELY BE REQUIRED. !

-- WE UNDERSTAND THAT TUNISIA HAS PUT IN A REQUEST (REF C) TO THE UN FOR EQUIPMENT. THE UN SHOULD CONSIDER AN APPROACH TO A EUROPEAN COUNTRY, PARTICULARLY ITALY OR GERMANY, OR A COMBINATION OF ARAB STATES TO ADOPT A TUNISIAN BATTALION AND TO PROVIDE EQUIPMENT.

-- WE NOTE THAT AIRLIFT MAY BE REQUESTED OF THE USG. WE ARE PREPARED TO ASSIST, BUT WE NEED TO POINT OUT THAT OUR AIRLIFT RESOURCES ARE RELATIVELY EXPENSIVE AND THAT WE WOULD EXPECT FULL REIMBURSEMENT- THEY ARE MOST COST EFFECTIVE FOR THE LIFT OF OUTSIZE CARGOS. WE WOULD BE WILLING TO ENTERTAIN SUCH REQUESTS. FOR THE REST, WE URGE THE UN TO LOOK FOR COMMERCIAL SOURCES-

-- THE USG HAS AGREED TO ADOPT A GHANAIAN BATTALION. WE UNDERSTAND THAT GHANA HAS INDICATED A WILLINGNESS TO DEPLOY IN THE NEAR FUTURE. WE BELIEVE A UN-LED LIAISON TEAM WITH U.S. PLANNERS SHOULD GO TO GHANA TO EXPEDITE DEPLOYMENT OF THE GHANAIAN FORCE ASAP.

-- THE USG WOULD URGE THE UN TO GET OTHER EQUIPMENT CONTRIBUTORS TO ADOPT A BATTALION OR OTHER UNIT.

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-- THE USG WOULD ALSO LIKE TO KNOW WHETHER THE UN HAS
REFINED ITS PLAN FOR THE EXPANDED UNAMIR IN LIGHT OF THE
FRENCH EXPERIENCE. WE URGE THE UN TO CONSIDER MULTIPLE
POINTS OF ENTRY SO AS TO REACH AS MANY POPULATIONS AT RISK
AS POSSIBLE. WE AGAIN OFFER THE SERVICES OF A USG
PLANNING TEAM TO GO NEW YORK TO ASSIST IN THAT PLANNING
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